

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

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Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S10941–S10989

Measures Introduced: Four bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1571–1574, S. Res. 218, and S. Con. Res. 63. **Pages S10970–71**

Measures Reported:

Reported on Tuesday, August 26, during the adjournment:

S. 1375, to provide for the reauthorization of programs administered by the Small Business Administration, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 108–124)

S. 247, to reauthorize the Harmful Algal Bloom and Hypoxia Research and Control Act of 1998, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 108–125)

S. 1152, to reauthorize the United States Fire Administration, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 108–126)

S. 1234, to reauthorize the Federal Trade Commission, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 108–127)

S. 1261, to reauthorize the Consumer Product Safety Commission, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 108–128)

S. 1389, to authorize appropriations for the Surface Transportation Board for fiscal years 2004 through 2008, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 108–129)

S. 1250, to improve, enhance, and promote the Nation's homeland security, public safety, and citizen activated emergency response capabilities through the use of enhanced 911 services, to further upgrade Public Safety Answering Point capabilities and related functions in receiving E-911 calls, and to support the construction and operation of a ubiquitous and reliable citizen activated system and other purposes. (S. Rept. No. 108–130)

S. 391, to enhance ecosystem protection and the range of outdoor opportunities protected by statute in the Skykomish River valley of the State of Wash-

ington by designating certain lower-elevation Federal lands as wilderness, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 108–131)

S. 434, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to sell or exchange all or part of certain parcels of National Forest System land in the State of Idaho and use the proceeds derived from the sale or exchange for National Forest System purposes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 108–132)

S. 435, to provide for the conveyance by the Secretary of Agriculture of the Sandpoint Federal Building and adjacent land in Sandpoint, Idaho, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 108–133)

S. 452, to require that the Secretary of the Interior conduct a study to identify sites and resources, to recommend alternatives for commemorating and interpreting the Cold War, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 108–134)

S. 714, to provide for the conveyance of a small parcel of Bureau of Land Management land in Douglas County, Oregon, to the county to improve management of and recreational access to the Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 108–135)

S. 1003, to clarify the intent of Congress with respect to the continued use of established commercial outfitter hunting camps on the Salmon River, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 108–136)

H.R. 622, to provide for the exchange of certain lands in the Coconino and Tonto National Forests in Arizona, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 108–137)

H.R. 1012, to establish the Carter G. Woodson Home National Historic Site in the District of Columbia, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 108–138)

Special Report entitled "Legislative and Oversight Activities During The 107th Congress By The Senate Committee On Veterans' Affairs". (S. Rept. No. 108–139)

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Measures Passed:

Authorizing Use of Capitol Rotunda: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 63, authorizing the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for the unveiling of the portrait bust of Vice President Dan Quayle on September 10, 2003. **Pages S10985–86**

Commending Michael J. McGhee: Senate agreed to S. Res. 218, commending Michael J. McGhee, Keeper of the Stationery, United States Senate. **Page S10986**

Hospital Mortgage Insurance Act: Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 659, to amend section 242 of the National Housing Act regarding the requirements for mortgage insurance under such Act for hospitals, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S10986–87**

DeWine (for Shelby) Amendment No. 1546, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S10986**

FHA Mortgage Commitment: Senate passed S. 1571, to increase the Federal Housing Administration mortgage commitment level to carry out the purposes of section 203(b) of the National Housing Act. **Page S10987**

Labor, Health and Human Services, Education Appropriations: Senate began consideration of H.R. 2660, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S10941–57**

Pending:

Specter Amendment No. 1542, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S10945**

Byrd Amendment No. 1543 (to Amendment No. 1542), to provide additional funding for education for the disadvantaged. **Pages S10945–48 S10952–57**

Akaka Amendment No. 1544 (to Amendment No. 1542), to provide funding for the Excellence in Economic Education Act of 2001. **Pages S10948–52**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, September 3, 2003. **Page S10987**

Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following protocol:

Protocol to Treaty of Friendship, Commerce, and Navigation with Denmark (Treaty Doc. No. 108–8)

The protocol was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and ordered to be printed. **Page S10987**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

David L. Lyon, of California, to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to be Ambassador to the Republic of Kiribati.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps. **Page S10989**

Messages From the House: **Page S10969**

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Privilege of the Floor: **Page S10987**

Adjournment: Senate met at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 4:15 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, September 3, 2003. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S10987.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D932)

H.R. 2859, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003. Signed on August 8, 2003. (Public Law 108-69).

H.R. 1018, to designate the building located at 1 Federal Plaza in New York, New York, as the "James L. Watson United States Court of International Trade Building". Signed on August 14, 2003. (Public Law 108-70).

H.R. 1761, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 9350 East Corporate Hill Drive in Wichita, Kansas, as the "Garner E. Shriver Post Office Building". Signed on August 14, 2003. (Public Law 108-71).

H.R. 2195, to provide for additional space and resources for national collections held by the Smithsonian Institution. Signed on August 15, 2003. (Public Law 108-72).

H.R. 2465, to extend for six months the period for which chapter 12 of title 11 of the United States Code is reenacted. Signed on August 15, 2003. (Public Law 108-73).

H.R. 2854, to amend title XXI of the Social Security Act to extend the availability of allotments for fiscal years 1998 through 2001 under the State Children's Health Insurance Program. Signed on August 15, 2003. (Public Law 108-74).

S. 1015, to authorize grants through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for mosquito control programs to prevent mosquito-borne diseases. Signed on August 15, 2003. (Public Law 108-75).

H.R. 1412, to provide the Secretary of Education with specific waiver authority to respond to a war or other military operation or national emergency. Signed on August 18, 2003. (Public Law 108-76).

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of September 3 through September 6,
2003

Senate Chamber

On *Wednesday*, at 9:30 a.m., Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 2660, Labor, HHS, Education Appropriations Act.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider other cleared legislative and executive business, including appropriation bills and certain nominations, when available.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Appropriations: September 3, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary, business

meeting to mark up proposed legislation making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, 11 a.m., S-146, Capitol.

September 3, Subcommittee on Transportation, Treasury and General Government, business meeting to mark up proposed legislation making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and proposed legislation making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, 2 p.m., SD-116.

September 4, Full Committee, business meeting to mark up proposed legislation making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, proposed legislation making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, proposed legislation making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and proposed legislation making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, 2 p.m., SD-106.

Committee on Armed Services: September 3, to hold closed hearings regarding ongoing military operations and areas of concern around the world, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

September 4, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the proposed lease of 100 KC-767 aerial refueling tanker aircraft by the U.S. Air Force, to be followed by a closed hearing in Room SH-219, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on the Budget: September 3, to hold hearings to examine the budget and economic outlook, 10 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: September 3, to hold hearings to examine the Columbia Accident Investigation Board's findings and recommendations from its investigation of the Columbia shuttle tragedy, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

September 3, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the proposed lease of 100 Boeing 767 aircraft for use by the U.S. Air Force as aerial refueling tankers, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

September 4, Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to hold hearings to examine A New Kind of Science, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: September 4, to hold hearings to examine the Department of Energy polygraph program, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Finance: September 4, to hold hearings to examine the economic relations between the United States and Cuba, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on the Judiciary: September 3, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Carlos T. Bea, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Marcia A. Crone, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Texas, Phillip S. Figa, to be United States District Judge for the District of Colorado, William Q. Hayes and John A. Houston, both to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California, Robert Clive Jones, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nevada, and Ronald A. White, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Oklahoma, 10 a.m., SD-226.

September 3, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Technology and Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine terrorism, focusing on First Responders, 2:15 p.m., SD-226.

September 4, Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

September 4, Subcommittee on Constitution, Civil Rights and Property Rights to hold hearings to examine what is needed to defend the bipartisan Defense of Marriage Act of 1996, 2 p.m., SD-226.

House Committees

Committee on Appropriations, September 4, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, on Information Analysis and Infrastructure Protection, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, September 4, hearing on Update of the Budget and Economic Outlook, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, September 4, hearing on "Strengthening Pension Security and Defined Benefit Plans: Examining the Financial Health of the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation," 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, September 3 and 4, hearings entitled "Blackout 2003: How Did It Happen and Why?" 10 a.m., on September 3 and 9:30 a.m., on September 4, 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, September 4, hearing on Government Accountability: Efforts to Identify and Eliminate Waste and Mismanagement, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, September 4, oversight hearing on "Competition in College Athletic Conferences and Antitrust Aspects of the Bowl Championship Series," 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

September 4, Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property, oversight hearing on "Internet Domain Name Fraud—the U.S. Government's Role in Ensuring Public Access to Accurate Whois Data," 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, September 4, to mark up H.J. Res. 63, Compact of Free Association Amendments Act of 2003, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, September 3, to consider H.R. 2989, Transportation, Treasury, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 2004, 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, September 4, hearing on "The Columbia Accident Investigation Board Report," 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, September 4, hearing to discuss attracting economic growth for the rural economy and whether the federal government is adequately supporting a policy of growth in the rural portions of the country, 9:30 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, September 5, to mark up the following: Waste, Fraud and Abuse letter to the House Committee on the Budget; and H.R. 7, Charitable Giving Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, September 4, executive, to consider pending business, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

September 4, Subcommittee on Intelligence Policy and National Security, executive, briefing on Global Intelligence Update, 9 a.m., H-405 Capitol.

September 4, Subcommittee on Terrorism and Homeland Security, executive, briefing on Recent Counterterrorism Success: Hambali, 10:15 a.m., H-405 Cannon.

Select Committee on Homeland Security, September 4, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Science, and Research and Development and the Subcommittee on Infrastructure and Border Security, joint hearing entitled "Implications of Power Blackouts for the Nation's Cybersecurity and Critical Infrastructure Protection: The Electric Grid, Critical Interdependencies, Vulnerabilities, and Readiness," 1 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: September 3, to hold hearings to examine and review Dutch leadership of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), 3:15 p.m., SD-562.

Joint Economic Committee: September 5, to hold hearings to examine the employment situation for August, 9:30 a.m., SD-628.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

FIRST SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House.

The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 7 through August 31, 2003

| | <i>Senate</i> | <i>House</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| Days in session | 111 | 87 | .. |
| Time in session | 926 hrs., 36' | 677 hrs., 6' | .. |
| Congressional Record: | | | |
| Pages of proceedings | 10,939 | 7,790 | .. |
| Extensions of Remarks | .. | 1,667 | .. |
| Public bills enacted into law | 21 | 55 | 76 |
| Private bills enacted into law | .. | .. | .. |
| Bills in conference | 8 | 11 | .. |
| Measures passed, total | 353 | 397 | 750 |
| Senate bills | 104 | 22 | .. |
| House bills | 64 | 159 | .. |
| Senate joint resolutions | 2 | 1 | .. |
| House joint resolutions | 6 | 9 | .. |
| Senate concurrent resolutions | 26 | 4 | .. |
| House concurrent resolutions | 23 | 49 | .. |
| Simple resolutions | 128 | 153 | .. |
| Measures reported, total | 225 | 234 | 459 |
| Senate bills | 149 | 2 | .. |
| House bills | 26 | 140 | .. |
| Senate joint resolutions | 2 | 1 | .. |
| House joint resolutions | .. | 2 | .. |
| Senate concurrent resolutions | 7 | .. | .. |
| House concurrent resolutions | 1 | 7 | .. |
| Simple resolutions | 40 | 82 | .. |
| Special reports | 11 | 5 | .. |
| Conference reports | 2 | 7 | .. |
| Measures pending on calendar | 84 | 62 | .. |
| Measures introduced, total | 1,865 | 3,673 | 5,538 |
| Bills | 1,569 | 2,989 | .. |
| Joint resolutions | 17 | 66 | .. |
| Concurrent resolutions | 62 | 269 | .. |
| Simple resolutions | 217 | 349 | .. |
| Quorum calls | 3 | 2 | .. |
| Yea-and-nay votes | 321 | 262 | .. |
| Recorded votes | .. | 195 | .. |
| Bills vetoed | .. | .. | .. |
| Vetoes overridden | .. | .. | .. |

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 7 through August 31, 2003

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| Civilian Nominations, totaling 428, disposed of as follows: | |
| Confirmed | 260 |
| Unconfirmed | 161 |
| Withdrawn | 7 |
| Other Civilian Nominations, totaling 1,692, disposed of as follows: | |
| Confirmed | 1,689 |
| Unconfirmed | 3 |
| Air Force Nominations, totaling 5,471, disposed of as follows: | |
| Confirmed | 5,321 |
| Unconfirmed | 150 |
| Army Nominations, totaling 3,580, disposed of as follows: | |
| Confirmed | 2,025 |
| Unconfirmed | 1,555 |
| Navy Nominations, totaling 2,393, disposed of as follows: | |
| Confirmed | 1,955 |
| Unconfirmed | 438 |
| Marine Corps Nominations, totaling 2,408, disposed of as follows: | |
| Confirmed | 2,394 |
| Unconfirmed | 14 |
| <i>Summary</i> | |
| Total Nominations carried over from the First Session | 0 |
| Total Nominations Received this Session | 15,972 |
| Total Confirmed | 13,644 |
| Total Unconfirmed | 2,321 |
| Total Withdrawn | 7 |
| Total Returned to the White House | 0 |

*These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 139 reports have been filed in the Senate, a total of 246 reports have been filed in the House.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Wednesday, September 3

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

2 p.m., Wednesday, September 3

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 2660, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004.

(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: To be announced.



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